



DEERING LAKE

(Longfellow Lake)
Weston and Oreint Twps., Aroostock Co.
U.S.G.S. Orient, Me (7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Dace spp.
Brook trout	Creek chub
Lake whitefish	Fallfish
Rainbow smelt	White sucker
Smallmouth bass	Hornpout (bullhead)
White perch	Banded killifish
Yellow perch	Burbot (cusk)
Chain pickerel	Threespine stickleback
Minnows	Redbreast sunfish
Golden shiner	American eel
Common shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 474 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 49 feet

Surface - 72°F

48 feet - 55°F

Principal fisheries: Landlocked salmon, brook trout, smallmouth bass, white perch, chain pickerel

Nearly all of Deering Lake is rocky shoreline with the exception of the north shore, which is very sandy, and the area around the outlet, which is gravel. Shoreline development is confined the north and northwest shores Deering Lake is surrounded by several rolling hills supporting mixed growth of hard wood and softwood species.

Water quality in Deering Lake is very good and combined with cool temperatures provides an adequate environment for coldwater species. Salmon growth is considered to be very good and annual stockings of salmon and brook trout provides a good coldwater fishery. Annual stockings of coldwater fish are necessary due to the lack to sufficient spawning areas for these species. The abundance of rocky areas also yields good habitat for smallmouth bass. White perch can also provide an enjoyable and productive fishing experience. Perch, however, compete significantly with brook trout. Efforts should be made to remove good numbers of these small to medium sized yellow perch to benefit trout and the perch themselves.

Boat access to Deering Lake is very simple. From Danforth, travel about five miles north on Route 1. The lake is located on the right and boats can be launched from the private campground and the northwest corner of the lake.

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